

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 32 public bills, H.R. 2832–2863; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 99–100, H. Con. Res. 184, and H. Res. 310, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2283, to expand the boundaries of Arches National Park in the State of Utah to include portions of the following drainages, Salt Wash, Lost Spring Canyon, Fish Sheep Draw, Clover Canyon, Cordova Canyon, Mine Draw, and Cottonwood Wash, which are currently under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and to include a portion of Fish Sheep Draw, which is currently owned by the State of Utah, amended (H. Rept. 105–385); and

H. Res. 309, providing for consideration of H.R. 2621, to extend trade authorities procedures with respect to reciprocal trade agreements (H. Rept. 105–386).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Gillmor to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Menendez motion to adjourn by a ye and nay vote of 85 yeas to 315 nays, Roll No. 585.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Ortiz motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 100 yeas to 309 noes, Roll No. 586.

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Expedited Procedures: The House agreed to H. Res. 305, waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules by a recorded vote of 219 yeas to 195 noes, Roll No. 589. Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 218 yeas to 201 noes, Roll No. 590.

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Earlier, agreed to order the previous question by a ye and nay vote of 224 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 587. Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 222 yeas to 200 noes, Roll No. 588.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Martinez motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 79 yeas to 233 noes, Roll No. 591.

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United States Policy Re China Measures: Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical corrections in the engrossment of any measure made in order under H. Res. 302, to include corrections in

spelling, punctuation, section numbering, and cross-referencing, and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House. H. Res. 302, the rule providing for consideration of nine measures, H. Res. 188, H.R. 967, H.R. 2195, H.R. 2232, H.R. 2358, H.R. 2386, H.R. 2570, H.R. 2605, and H.R. 2647, relating to the policy of the U.S. with respect to China was agreed to on November 5.

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Iranian Cruise Missiles: The House agreed to H. Res. 188, urging the executive branch to take action regarding the acquisition by Iran of C–802 cruise missiles. Agreed to amend the title.

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Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 240 yeas to 176 noes, Roll No. 593.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendments printed in part 2 of H. Rept. 105–379, accompanying the rule, were considered as adopted.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Torres motion to adjourn by a recorded vote of 74 yeas to 336 noes, Roll No. 594.

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Free the Clergy Act: The House passed H.R. 967, to prohibit the use of United States funds to provide for the participation of certain Chinese officials in international conferences, programs, and activities and to provide that certain Chinese officials shall be ineligible to receive visas and excluded from admission to the United States, by a ye and nay vote of 366 yeas to 54 nays, Roll No. 595.

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Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 227 yeas to 185 noes, Roll No. 596.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendments recommended by the Committee on International Relations were considered as adopted.

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Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Mink of Hawaii motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 75 yeas to 333 nays, Roll No. 597.

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Forced Abortion Condemnation Act: The House passed H.R. 2570, to condemn those officials of the Chinese Communist Party, the Government of the People's Republic of China, and other persons who are involved in the enforcement of forced abortions by preventing such persons from entering or remaining in the United States by a ye and nay vote of 415 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 598.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment printed in part 3 of H. Rept. 105–379, accompanying the rule was considered as adopted.

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Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 245 ayes to 171 noes, Roll No. 599.

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Motion To Adjourn: Rejected the Doggett motion to adjourn by a ye and nay vote of 66 yeas to 350 nays, Roll No. 600.

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U.S.-Taiwan Anti-Ballistic Missile Defense Cooperation: The House passed H.R. 2386, to implement the provisions of the Taiwan Relations Act concerning the stability and security of Taiwan and United States cooperation with Taiwan on the development and acquisition of defensive military articles by a ye and nay vote of 301 yeas to 116 nays, Roll No. 601.

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Agreed to table the motion to reconsider the vote by a recorded vote of 245 ayes to 175 noes, Roll No. 602.

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Agreed by unanimous consent to consider as adopted the Bereuter amendment that clarifies that the United States, in accordance with the Taiwan Relations Act and the constitutional processes of the United States, should assist in the defense of Taiwan in case of threats or military attack by the People's Republic of China against Taiwan.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on International Relations now printed in the bill, modified by the amendments printed in part 4 of H. Rept. 105–379, accompanying the rule were considered as adopted.

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Communist China Subsidy Reduction Act: The House passed H.R. 2605, to require the United States to oppose the making of concessional loans by international financial institutions to any entity in the People's Republic of China by a recorded vote of 354 ayes to 59 noes, Roll No. 605.

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A point of order was sustained against the Taylor of Mississippi motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Ways and Means with instructions to report it back forthwith with an amendment dealing with the tariff schedules between the United States and China. By a ye and nay vote of 220 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 604, agreed to table the motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair.

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Pursuant to the rule, the amendments printed in part 5 of H. Rept. 105–379, accompanying the rule were considered as adopted.

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appears on pages H10107 and H10138–39.

Referrals: S. 1377, to amend the Act incorporating the American Legion to make a technical correction, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. S. 1378, to extend the authorization of use of official

mail in the location and recovery of missing children, was referred to the Committees on Government Reform and Oversight and House Oversight. S. Con. Res. 61, authorizing printing of a revised edition of the publication entitled "Our Flag"; S. Con. Res. 62, authorizing printing of the brochure entitled "How Our Laws Are Made"; and S. Con. Res. 63, authorizing printing of the pamphlet entitled "The Constitution of the United States of America", were referred to the Committee on House Oversight.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Nine ye-and-nay votes and twelve recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H10111–12, H10112, H10120, H10121, H10121–22, H10122, H10122–23, H10128, H10128–29, H10129, H10137–38, H10138, H10139, H10147, H10147–48, H10148–49, H10156–57, H10157–58, H10158, H10168, and H10168–69. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 11:17 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURAL TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities held a hearing on review of agricultural transportation issues, focusing on the current rail grain situation. Testimony was heard from Representative DeFazio; Linda J. Morgan, Chairman, National Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation; Michael V. Dunn, Assistant Secretary, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, USDA; and public witnesses.

GAO INVESTIGATION—WHITE HOUSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service held a hearing on the GAO investigation of the White House. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the GAO; Robert Murphy, General Counsel; and David L. Clark, Jr., Director, Audit Oversight and Liaison.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Approved Committee Rule changes.

COMMITTEE SUBPOENAS—WHITE HOUSE COMPLIANCE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight: Held a hearing on the "White House Compliance with Committee Subpoenas." Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Executive Office of the President: Charles F.C. Ruff, Counsel; and Cheryl D. Mills, Deputy Counsel.